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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: Policy on Dissemination of CIA Translations

1. Para. 4 of this action memorandum requests your approval of a policy to control dissemination to the public of CIA translations and related reference aids.

2. The recent decision of the DCI to declassify certain Foreign Documents Division publications (e.g. Consolidated Translations Survey) and to permit their dissemination with CIA attribution has stimulated requests from colleges, libraries and business firms for access to these publications or for copies of them. Basic policy decisions are required in view of current and related actions being taken by the Department of Commerce and other government agencies having responsibility for making this type of material available to the public. The following policy is proposed pursuant to AD/CR responsibility under paras. 2 and 3h of CIA Regulation 1-130.

3. Policy

a. General

CIA will make available to the public the maximum amount of its own and sponsored translations and related materials of an unclassified nature.

b. Attribution to CIA

Attribution to CIA is not prohibited, but will be avoided, particularly with reference to translations produced outside the Agency under contract (e.g. U.S. Joint Publications Research Service).

c. Dissemination to the Public

CIA will not disseminate its materials directly to the public, but will cooperate with interested government agencies to effect dissemination through their channels

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(e.g. Library of Congress, National Science Foundation, Department of Commerce). CIA will not print nor will it underwrite the cost of reproduction of copies disseminated to the public. This shall not preclude selected direct dissemination by Agency officials to members of the public or press in the interest of public relations or for operational purposes (e.g. dissemination by Contact Division).

4. Recommendations

- a. That you approve the policy set forth in para. 3 above.
- b. That AD/CR be directed to implement the above policy.

Paul A. Borel Assistant Director Central Reference

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Director of Central Intelligence

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